URANOSPINITE

$Ca(UO_2)_2(AsO_4)_2 \bullet 10H_2O$

A relatively uncommon secondary mineral found in the oxidized portions of some uranium deposits. It is the arsenate analog of the more common species, autunite. Northern Peninsula.

Baraga County: Huron River uranium prospect, NW ¹/₄ NW ¹/₄ section 1, T51N, R30W: as sparse, pale yellow-white coatings with calcite in brecciated quartz. It is most easily spotted by its yellow-green fluorescence in shortwave ultraviolet light (Carlson et al., 2007a). This is the first reported occurrence of the mineral from Michigan.

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